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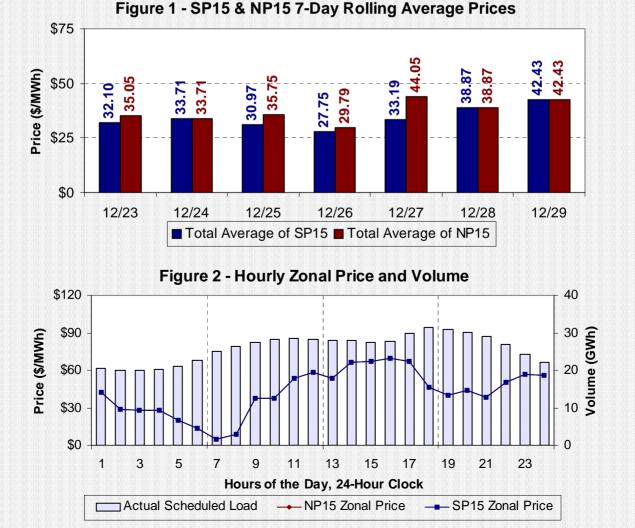
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The average zonal price increased by 8 percent for SP15 and NP15 to \$42.43/MWh. The zonal prices were higher and could have resulted from:

- A return to weekday demand levels. The average actual demand increased by 2,542 MW.
- Cooler temperatures. Temperatures in the south decreased by 3 degrees and increased by 3 degrees in the north, temperatures overall ranged between 51 and 62 degrees.
- Higher generation outage levels that ranged between 6,200 MW and 6,600 MW.
- Higher natural gas prices. The average natural gas price increased by 6 percent to \$5.41/MMBtu.

In an effort to mitigate intra-zonal congestion, the CAISO requested decremental energy bids for the Miguel Imports between 6 a.m. and Midnight.

The CAISO changed the transmission capacity rating for the Branch Group Cascade (Path 25) in the IN direction from 100 MW to 0 MW and in the OUT direction from 30 MW to 0 MW between 3 a.m. and midnight.





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